## HOUSE RESOLUTION 313 By Johnson R

A RESOLUTION to recognize Ed Collis on the occasion of his retirement from the Loudon Police Department.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Ed Collis is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for many years as a member of the Loudon Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Collis served as a Patrolman for the LPD intermittently between 1967-1973, and then returned to the force in 1985; during his absence from the Police Department, Mr. Collis worked on a dairy farm and at the Loudon County Jail; and

WHEREAS, not letting an injury stand in his way, Ed Collis graduated from the Academy in February 1985 with a broken toe, illustrating the determination and dedication that have served him well throughout his tenure with the Loudon Police Department; and

WHEREAS, he was offered a Detective position in 1988, a role that he worked in for nearly ten years; in 1997, Mr. Collis was promoted to Chief Sergeant, a position in which he has diligently and devotedly served the Loudon community; and

WHEREAS, Ed Collis will be taking a much deserved retirement from the Loudon Police Department this spring; and

WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious tenure of protecting and serving the citizens of Loudon, Ed Collis has worked under three Police Chiefs including John Lennox, Bill Grimes, and John Mills; and

WHEREAS, Ed Collis is an active and important part of his community and his profession; he is a longstanding member of the Fraternal Order of Police; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement, Mr. Collis looks forward to spending more time fishing, hunting, relaxing on his houseboat, traveling, and camping at Big Meadow Campground; and

WHEREAS, Ed Collis exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Ed Collis has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we extend to Ed Collis our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we thank Ed Collis for his many years of dedicated service to the Loudon community and the good people of the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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